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The Honorable Emanuel Celler Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

My dear Mr. Chairman:

This is in response to the telephone request of Mr. Kenneth R. Harkins of the staff of your Committee on the Judiciary. Mr. Harkins has asked for written confirmation of a statement made to him on 4 August by my Legislative Counsel, Mr. John M. Maury.

Accordingly I wish to inform you that, as Mr. Maury explained to Mr. Harkins, a further review of our records has revealed nothing bearing on H. Res. 920 or the points severed by Representative Gerald R. Ford in his statement on the floor of the House on 15 April 1970. Therefore my letter to you of 15 July 1970 should stand as written.

Sincerely,

Ls/ Richard Helms

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Richard Helms Director

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MÉMORANDUM FOR: The Director

Per your instructions I called Harkins to say that you didn't want to be difficult but couldn't understand the purpose of the additional letter he requested and wondered if it was really necessary. Harkins said the letter was necessary so that "the Committee won't have to take my word for it." The attached has been coordinated with Mr. Warner. If you decide to sign it we will deliver it by hand first thing tomorrow before the Subcommittee meets.

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/JOHN M. MAURY Legislative Counsel

> 10 August 1970 (DATE)

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